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A SHORT
HISTORY
OF A
Ten Years Negotiation,
BETWEEN A
PRIME MINISTER
AND A
PRIVATE GENTLEMAN.

Tu ne cede malis sed contra audentior ito. VIRG.
*It is no Offence for the Meanest to offer Reasons to the
Greatest, nor a Reproach to any Man to have a reasonable
Concern for his own PROPERTY.*

Country Parson's Plea.

*And DAVID said What have I now done? Is there not a
Cause? 1 Sam. xvii. 29.*

Qui vult Decipi, DECIPIATUR.

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THE following Case, though short, is so minutely drawn up, where necessary, as to need no prefatory words, by way of illustration. "The strength of it lies in the Interest the Author had in the Affections of the late Lord Chancellor KING, when his Lordship became Lord Chancellor. And in what Manner, and on what Terms, that Interest was transferred to, and ACCEPTED BY the Prime Minister." WHAT the Minister has done in Conformity to it, will be seen, here, in few words. What is defective in that part, shall be supplied, whenever the Minister shall please to call for it, or otherwise make it necessary to appear.

The Reader has not a Fable put into his hands, but a true History, drawn from Memorials, taken down in writing, the same day every Fact happened, and every Word was spoken. The Author humbly hopes, "That the Hardships, he has undergone, the Moderation he has shewn in bearing them, for so long a time, and the later Steps he has taken to prevent coming to this undesirable extremity of Printing," will plead, with all generous minds, into whose hands the Following Leaves shall come, very strongly in his favour.

Had any thing else been left him but *implicit* and *final* Submission to the *arbitrary* pleasure of a *Fellow-subject*, on so important an Occasion, he had never interested the Public in it. — But in a *Case*, “Where the Honour, the Credit, the “Happiness, and the Success of a Man’s Life is “concerned, and where he has suffered in the “*Prime Part* of it, so much, in every one of “these particulars;” Though what is pass’d cannot be recalled, it seems but an *allowable Comfort* to shew, “That *This* was not his *Due*,” and to do his Best, by PRODUCING his *Title*, “that “some *amends*, at length, should be made him.”

He is not insensible how *unequally* he is *match- ed*. But he has TRUTH on his *side*. Which, as it is *known* to be *stronger* than either *Wine*, or *Women*, or even a *King* himself, so he questions not, but it will prove too *hard* for a *Prime Mi- nister*.

March 4.

1736-7.



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HOR.

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ERRATA.

P. 13, l. 23, for *recommended*, read *commended*.



Mr. W---'s CASE.

MR. W--- had the honour to have a very intimate acquaintance with Sir PETER KING. (The *distinction* of whose Character, till towards the decline of his life, there are many, he hopes, still living, that remember, and are ready to acknowledge.) His acquaintance with that *Great Man* was voluntary on both sides, without any Mediator, or any recommendation; and it began so early as in the month of *August* 1710. Under his protection, he came the *Winter following*, to the *Temple*. Under his direction he began his studies, and for five years that he continued there, he enjoy'd the honour of his greatest intimacy. This is well known to *many* that are yet living; and will be known to *more*, when he lays before the world those *Memorials*, which he began in those early years of life, to preserve of so great a man's *sentiments* in many curious matters, with an express view of giving them to the world (in case, as by the course of nature he might expect to do, he should out live him) as a monument of his gratitude, and of the honour he himself had done him, to share any part of the esteem of *that* (THEN at least, thought) *very* great, and most universally beloved Person.

Mr. W--- not having any liking to the practice

tice of the Law, he forebore the last three years of his abode in the *Temple*, the studying it, with any such view, tho' for other reasons he appeared to do so; and accepted the honour of being *called to the Bar*; (in *Trinity Term 1714*.) The sole effect of the then Sir PETER KING's favour; it being before he was by his *standing*, as well as *abilities* entitled to it. Tho' his decline of the study and profession of the *Law*, was, when made known to him, against his *Lordship's* inclination and advice, he continued, however, in favour with the *Lord-Chief-Justice* KING, and for near three years, which he afterwards spent in *travelling*; he had the honour of his constant *correspondence*; whose *Letters*, he has *still* by him, and in some of which are the following *articles*, viz.

In *one* of *April 4, 1721*, his *Lordship* writes thus; "Your *Letters* deserved an answer much
" sooner, nor was it for any want of considera-
" tion or desire to serve you with respect to *Lord*
" STANHOPE, or *Lord C——*, I would have
" done my endeavour whenever a proper oppor-
" tunity had offered. *Lord STANHOPE* is since
" deceased, and *Lord C——*, &c. &c." and
in the *same*.—"I suppose the end of the sum-
" mer will bring you back hither again, and that
" the pleasures of other countries will not abate
" your inclination to your own."—In *another*,
" To obtain any thing here, whilst absent, and
" and not on the spot, will be very difficult."—
In *another*, *July 1, 1722*. "There was some
" suspicion a week ago, as if the King might
" venture to *Hanover*, before the season was
" quite over. My own private affairs, and
" the affairs of *Chief-Justice* so fill up my time,
" that I have very seldom an opportunity of go-
" ing



"ing to Court. However, I was there lately, and
 "hoped to have met there with Count *Botbmar*.
 "But missing him, I desired *my Lord CADOGAN*
 "to let him know from me your character, and
 "my personal knowledge of you, which he pro-
 "mised to do, and I believe hath done. I am
 "this minute setting out for the northern cir-
 "cuit.—This Voyage will detain me about
 "two Months. When I come back again, I
 "shall not fail of *improving every opportunity*, ei-
 "ther with *English* or *German*, for your advantage.
 "It was a very PROPER ANSWER I think, that you
 "gave the *King of PRUSSIA* *: But as you are not
 "likely this year, to have the opportunity of
 "offering your service *elsewhere* on that side of
 "the water, you will consider which will be most
 "for your advantage, either to stay there, or
 "come over hither. I shall be ALWAYS glad to
 "do you any service in my power."

On Mr. *W*——'s return from his travels, he
 was received by his *Lordship* suitably to one who
 had had so long, and so intimate an acquaintance
 with him, and protection from him, and that had
 no ways lessen'd it by any irregular conduct; if
 not considerably increased it, from the *particular*
regard he had paid him during the time he was
 abroad, in every *Place* and at every *Court*, where
 he made any stay: And which he had constant-
 ly laid before his *Lordship* by his *Letters*.

* This refers to an *invitation* that his *Prussian* Majesty made
 to Mr. *W*—— after he had been some time at his court, of
staying with him. To which Mr. *W*—— gave immediately
 this answer, "That he thought it the duty of every man to of-
 fer his services to his natural prince, and his native country, in
 "the first place, That it was his intention to do so the follow-
 "ing summer at *Hanover* to *King GEORGE*; but that if his
 "Majesty did not accept of them, he promised his *Prussian* Majesty
 "the refusal of them."

Mr. W—'s own fortune supported him, both in his *studies*, and in his *travels*. But as it was well-known to his *Lordship*, that it was of a transitory nature, the thought of it naturally, and, as will be seen readily too, drew his *Lordship* into the consideration of giving him an introduction into the world on his return. This his *Lordship* had the greater reason to do, after he had sent him, under his hand, the forementioned *approbation* of his refusing an *establishment* offered him from even a *Royal Person* abroad. And which his *Lordship* knew was refused by him, purely from the love he bore to the liberty of his native country, and the reasonable prospect he had of living under the protection of his *Lordship*, who, *then*, actually made so great, and was like soon to make so much greater a figure in it; and under whose shelter he had so much reason to expect to be well rooted, and to grow up to some maturity of fortune, and success in life. Mr. W— had, on his return, the honour to declare the most considerable of these *motives* to another *Royal Person*,* who was not ignorant of the *royal* offer that had been made him.

Mr. W— when he came into *England*, had private friends whose purses were at his service, in supply of the defect of his fortune, as soon as it became necessary. They knowing what a great *Protector* he had, and how probable it was, that either by *himself*, or by *his* influence, he must soon be effectually provided for. Mr. W— had his chief reliance on the former, tho' he neglected no opportunity that offered for the latter of these means. It was the beginning of the year 1723, that Mr. W— returned from his travels.

* The late QUEEN.

But falling ill soon after his return into his native country, of a lingering illness, the necessary care of recovering and re-establishing his health, took him up the remaining part of the whole year; and he had no ability during that time to cultivate any opportunity of providing for himself by his Lordship's recommendation. The first that offered after his return from *Bath* in *Feb. 1724*, of this sort, was, when his present Gr—ce of *N—le* became S—y of S—e, the beginning of *April* following. He happened then to be at Court when his Gr—ce came out from the late *King* without his *L. Chamberlain's* Staff, and it was immediately known his Gr—ce was made S—y of S—e. Mr. *W—* writ the same day to the *Lord-Chief-Justice KING*, then at *Ocham*, advising his Lordship of it, requesting an immediate recommendation to his Gr—ce on his promotion. On the return of the Post, Mr. *W—* had a Letter to his Gr—ce, sent him, (as things of that nature, when they are done in a genteel and friendly manner always are) open; of which this is a copy.

My Lord,

Ocham, April 3. 1724.

WE have the news in the country that your Grace is made Secretary of State, and taking that for granted, next to congratulating your Grace upon that occasion, I take the liberty to recommend the bearer, Mr. Whatley, to your Grace's favour. It is probable, that in this new station, your Grace will have occasion for men of learning and languages. I can assure you, on my own knowledge that Mr. Whatley is very well affected to the government, and a person of good learning; and as for his knowledge of the tongues, particularly of Latin, French, Dutch, German, and Italian, you will

will receive from himself a satisfactory account. I hope it will be a pleasure to your Grace, to encourage a deserving gentleman; it will be a particular respect to, My Lord,

Your GRACE'S

most obedient and

most humble servant,

PETER KING.

Mr. W—— enters this *Letter* into his case not merely to shew the kindness his great patron had for him, from the very face of it, but because his *Lordship* told him, “ He had done him a favour “ that he would have done for no one else ”; and for another reason that will come to be mentioned more properly afterwards, than to be taken notice of here. To that place also shall be referred his Gr—ce's answer, for the same reason.

Before the end of this year, 1724, it became the topic of conversation, that there would be a vacancy in the *Great-Seal*, to be filled up by the *Lord-Chief-Justice* KING. This made Mr. W—— to surcease all application to his *Lordship*, for his recommendation of him to any one else. Accordingly, at the end of the year, the late *Lord MACCLESFIELD* delivered up the *Great-Seal*, and it was well known who was to succeed him, at the same time. The knowledge of this inspired Mr. W——, with the design of making his patron a compliment of his *Letter* on the subject of a *Motto* to his future *Lordship's Coat of Arms*. A compliment executed in such a manner, that from the reception it met with from the publick, truth, if not modesty, allows him to say, merited his being taken notice of by the *Great Man*, to whom it was

was addressed, and for whose sake it was writ, had he been a meer *stranger* to him. There passed *six* months before his *patron* was made *Lord Chancellor*, during all which time Mr. W—— thought it perfectly improper, if not indecent, from the *privity* there was between his great patron and himself, to make any *application* in his own behalf. Nor, as the *event* will shew, was it at all necessary; for, without having either writ, or spoke a single word, to put his Lordship in mind of him, during the *Seal* was in *commission*, on the day of the delivery of it to his Lordship, within ten minutes before he received it at the late King's hands, his Lordship seeing Mr. W—— in the little antichamber to the King's closet, called him to him, and spoke the *following words*:

“ (Of the TRUTH of *which*, and of all things of
 “ that nature, which he shall mention, as *said* to
 “ him, throughout this *whole* CASE, he humbly
 “ hopes, he shall be credited by those who *know*
 “ him, from the *integrity* of his *character*; far
 “ superior to the charging any man, for his ad-
 “ vantage, with *that*, not only which he *knows*
 “ to be *false*, but with any thing he *does not know*
 “ to be *true*. And by those who do *not* know
 “ him, when he assures them, that he all along
 “ the transaction, of which this CASE is an *ab-*
 “ *stract*, kept a *journal* of it. It having been his
 “ custom, from his earliest years of life, to enter
 “ down whatever he heard in conversation that
 “ was at all interesting or curious; every thing,
 “ in short, which passed under his observation,
 “ that either affected the improvement of his
 “ understanding or fortune; and which he could,
 “ by virtue of a short hand he was master of, do,
 “ without any trouble or expence of time”.)—

But to return;

When

When the Lord KING took Mr. W—— so unexpectedly aside, in that place, and at that time, not ten minutes before his Lordship went into the King's closet to receive the Great-Seal, he said to him the following words, viz. " Mr. W——, you must not be surprized that I don't make you one of my Officers : I am engaged to provide for a friend of Mr. W—LP—LE's, who has promised to provide for one of mine, in lieu of it, *which friend you are*". To which Mr. W—— answered, That he had stay'd a great while, and that it was not the most convenient for him to stay any longer". His Lordship immediately reply'd, " I don't intend you shall. But *That* which I am to do for Mr. W—LP—LE's friend is to be done out of hand, and what he (Mr. W—LP—LE) is to do for my friend, is to be done out of hand likewise. *Only say nothing*".

Soon after Mr. W—— going to make his Lordship his compliments of congratulation at his own house, the same assurances were repeated to him, with this further intimation from his Lordship ; " That he would have him wait on Mr. W—LP—LE". This Mr. W—— excused doing, as not being at all known to the Minister ; adding, " That if he had had the satisfaction of obtaining his Lordship's favour, he should think himself very happy ; but that he thought it *too late* to begin a fresh course of dependence, or to enter into *new Obligations*." His Lordship to this said, " I don't intend you shall do either the one or the other. You are to be obliged to me *only* for what Mr. W—LP—LE shall do for you".

On this Mr. W—— retired into the country, to Lodgings he had, not far from his Lordship's seat

seat at *Ocham*, and left things to work for him, as they would; peremptorily refusing to wait on Mr. W—LP—LE.

After he had been in the country some time, Mr. W— waited on the *Lord Chancellor* at his *Seat*, who told him, “He was glad to see him, that he had mentioned his name to Mr. W—LP—LE” (so his Lordship always called him, at that time, tho’ then *Knight of the Bath*) who said, “He knew him, and desired his Lordship would send him to him”. Mr. W— told his Lordship to this, “That he did not know how he had the honour to be known to the *Prime Minister*; but since he was so, and he had done him the Honour to send for him, he would return to town, and wait on him”. On taking leave, his Lordship told him, “That he might assure himself he expected an EQUIVALENT for him (his Lordship’s very word) from Mr. W—LP—LE, for what he had given his friend”, which was then very well known to be the *Secretariship* of the *Presentations*, worth, one year with another, 300*l.* a year.

Before I go further, I beg leave to propose this first QUÆRY; “Whether on the state of the premises, only, it can be supposed that the *Lord Chancellor* had not acted with the utmost sincerity for the interest of Mr. W—”? A man of much less candour and humanity than his Lordship was known to be, on the forementioned considerations, must, unquestionably, be thought to have done so. And those who have doubted of the partiality of the late *Lord Chancellor*, at this time, for Mr. W—, will, after this, ’tis to be hoped, doubt of it no longer.

But to put this out of all doubt, let it be considered, “What was the result of the first Confe-

“ *rence* Mr. *W*— had with the *Prime Minister* ?
 “ Did he *confirm* what pass’d between Lord Chan-
 “ cellor and Mr. *W*—, or no ? Did he take on
 “ him the *Obligation*, or did he *not* ? And if he
 “ *did*, could he, at pleasure, change an *Obliga-*
 “ *tion* assumed, into a *Favour* ? Or change *Him*,
 “ who, *by his own acknowledgment*, was (as will be
 “ soon seen) a *Purchaser* on a *valuable Consideration*
 “ into a *dependant Beggar* ? — Do the *Privi-*
 “ *leges* of any Man’s *Place*, or *Power*, entitle him
 “ to wanton thus with the fortunes of a *fellow-*
 “ *subject* ?

Mr. *W*— had seen the *Lord Chancellor* the
Sunday, and the *Tuesday* following he waits on the
Minister. Who having mistaken him on the men-
 tion of his name, by *Lord Chancellor*, for *another*
person of the same name, whom he knew, told
 him, “ He did not know him.” But as soon as
 Mr. *W*— had undeceived him by saying, “ That
 “ he understood by *Lord Chancellor*, there was
 “ something passed between his *LORDSHIP* and
 “ *HIM*, in relation to himself, and that he was
 “ commanded by his Lordship, *at His request*, to
 “ wait on him.” The *Great Person* immediate-
 “ ly replied, “ That it was very true there had,
 “ and that, if *he* was the person, HE WOULD TAKE
 “ CARE AND PROVIDE FOR HIM.” On Mr. *W*—’s
 making apology for his abrupt introduction, &c.
 “ The *assurances* were repeated, and the mistake
 “ was of no consequence.

Being thus honourably entered, Mr. *W*—
 thought it incumbent on him to attend occasion-
 ally at the *Great Man’s Levee*, and, in a few
 weeks after, took his opportunity, on some kind
 words being said to him, to tell the *Great Per-*
son, “ That he had a favour to ask of him —
 “ *What was it* ? — The honour of a private au-
 “ *dience*.

"dience." — To which, with his usual civility, it was answered, "*That he should have it ;*" excusing himself for that day, as going to the Treasury, &c. Mr. *W*— replied, "He was in no haste for it, he desired it at his own time, when most at leisure, and at *Chelsea* ;" which was promised. And after a decent course of attendance, for so great a favour, in about six weeks, the day was appointed ; and he had the honour to find the *Great Person* at home for him.

There were several very *weighty reasons* that determined Mr. *W*— to ask this favour. His *Great Patron* was promoted to a high station, wherein he had undoubtedly the power of providing for his *favoured friend*, and nothing was, *in appearance*, done for him. This made his friends very uneasy, and *himself* very justly so too. For whilst he was *enjoined silence*, as to what was done, they were left at the liberty to think there was some latent demerit, or other, whereby he had lost his *Great Patron's* favour. And were all ready to think, as *many* actually did, "That he was entirely dropped."

This obliged Mr. *W*— (and he questions not but it will be thought by every one that reads this, *very reasonably* too) to desire the *clearing up*, as soon as he could, the *condition* he was in, for the just respect he had for *them*. And, as it was now the beginning of *October*, he thought it high time to be fully satisfied what he had to trust to, for his own sake. Beginning to be weary of dancing-attendance, when by *stipulation* he was not to do it, and apprehensive he might be taken in, by degrees, as a *common suitor* for a Place, when he was, according to his own thoughts, from what had been told him, a *purchaser*. This begot in him a great desire to know, "What *relation* he

“ actually stood in to the *Prime Minister*, from
 “ his own *deliberate sentiments*.”

— He told the *Great Person* he had desired
 the *favour* for *three reasons*. *First*, Humbly to
 acquaint him, with *himself*, that from the know-
 ledge of his past course of life, his views and de-
 signs, he might the more *fitly* be provided for.
Secondly, To lay before him the humble *pretensi-*
ons he had to *Lord Chancellor's* favour. And,
Lastly, To know from *HIMSELF*, what he had to
 depend on, or to expect from *HIM*, by virtue of
Lord Chancellor's recommendation? This audi-
 ence lasted, by Mr. *W—*'s watch, a whole hour
 all but ten minutes.

After Mr. *W—* had spoke fully to the *two* first
 of these heads, and been honoured, as he went
 along, with several gracious approbations of ma-
 ny observations he made, particularly of what he
 had seen, and come to his knowledge in his tra-
 vels, he came to the *third* and main point, “*WHAT*
 “ he had to depend on from *him*, by virtue of
 “ *Lord Chancellor's* recommendation?”

Introductory to which, Mr. *W—* observed,
 “ That his desire of having *this* cleared up to
 “ him, was not because he was inferior to any
 “ one in the profound respect that was due to one
 “ in *his* most exalted station, or of any readiness
 “ to shew it by his daily attendance on him, nor
 “ for any want even of a *personal affection* for him;
 “ that he had this in the highest degree before
 “ ever he thought he should have the honour of
 “ being known to him; when, perhaps, many
 “ who had it *now*, had it *not*, — but that it was
 “ absolutely impracticable for him, at that time
 “ of life, and as his circumstances were, to con-
 “ tinue on a course of dependance for any uncer-
 “ tain length of time; and that if he was not to
 “ be

“ be provided for out of hand, he must take mea-
 “ sures himself for his own preservation in the
 “ best manner he could ; ” adding, “ That he
 “ never was at his *Levee* without the greatest con-
 “ cern, on HIS account, as well as on account of
 “ the *many* that applied to him for favours, and
 “ that HE stood in no need, he thought, for the
 “ number of his *Supplicators* to be unnecessarily
 “ increased. ” To which the *Minister* replied,
 “ That nobody knew the fatigue he went thro’
 “ but himself. That it was a very ungrateful
 “ office ; for of the many that crouded his levee
 “ to day, if he ceased to be in the station he had
 “ the honour to serve in, hardly any would see
 “ him the next. ” — Mr. W— here, to make
 the deeper impresson, repeated what he had said
 above, adding, “ That he came with no demands,
 “ no pretensions, but only to know what he had
 “ to depend on from HIM by virtue of *Lord Chan-*
 “ *cellor’s* RECOMMENDATION.

When he had ended, the *Minister* graciously
 begun, by saying, “ That every one was to be
 “ recommended for taking care of their own In-
 “ terests. ” And then entered fully into the cir-
 cumstance of Mr. Sp—er’s being recommended
 to *Lord Chancellor*.

Said, “ That the *Ladies* had press’d him to
 “ do it: That he was very *unwilling*, as not
 “ doubting but *Lord Chancellor* had his own
 “ friends to provide for; but that *complying* with
 “ their sollicitations, at length he undertook it.
 “ that *Lady W—LP—LE* had five *Trustees*, two of
 “ whom were above accepting any thing, two o-
 “ thers were already provided for, and that *this*
 “ remained to be so. That he did accordingly
 “ engage *Lord Chancellor* to make him *Clerk* of
 “ the *Presentations* ; That *Lord Chancellor* said, if

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“ I take one off of your hands, you must take
 “ one off of mine, which, he said, he was very
 “ ready to do. But, at the same time was pleased
 “ to make Mr. *W—* a complement, that he
 “ did not think it was for one that had those just
 “ pretensions to his Lordship’s favour, as he had
 “ shewn him reason for his having, or that was
 “ a Person of that *consideration*, or some such
 “ complemental word. That, however, he must
 “ say, That he believed if he had not engaged
 “ the place for *him* that had it, it would not have
 “ been given to Mr. *W—*.” To which Mr. *W—*
 replied, “ Sir, I do not say it would; I have no-
 “ thing to say as to that, I only desire humbly
 “ to know *What I have to depend on from yourself,*
 “ *by virtue of Lord Chancellor’s recommendati-*
 “ *on?*” To which the *Great Person* answered,
 “ That if by *Christmas next* he did not provide
 “ for *him* (Mr. *W—*) as good a *thing* (his very
 “ words) he would withdraw Mr. *Sp—r*, and
 “ leave *Lord Chancellor* to dispose of it to whom
 “ he pleased.

Here this *audience* ended with mutual satisfac-
 tion. Mr. *W—* ask’d leave to see the pictures
 and the garden; a servant was called to shew
 them to him, and he retired. This was the be-
 ginning of *October* the same year, and Mr. *W—*,
 very well satisfied with the agreeable situation
 he was in, went out of Town till the week be-
 fore *Christmas*.

When waiting on the *Great Man*, He, who for-
 gets nothing but what he is pleased not to re-
 member, comes to him, and expresses himself in
 the following manner; “ Mr. *W—*, *Lord*
 “ *Chancellor* has been very urgent with me, on
 “ your account, but nothing is fallen *yet*.” To
 which Mr. *W—* answered, *Christmas*, Sir is al-
 “ most

“most come.” To which was replied, “What if
 “it be? Would you have me knock People on the
 “Head? As soon as any thing *falls* (with some
 “sort of *limitation*) you shall have it.” This
limitation made Mr. W— say, “Sir where
 “there is *right*, I think it ought to take place
 “beyond all Considerations.— *Right, Sir?* I
deny you have any — Why, Sir? Where there
 “is a *Quid pro Quo*, I think, infers a *Right*.”
 “I *deny there is any such Thing*.” — “Why then,
 “Sir, you know I have no business *HERE* ;” and,
 making his Bows, Mr. W— retir’d.

What was said of this *Interview* must appear,
 I question not, to my *Reader*, very inconsistent
 with what was so solemnly *stated* and *declared* in
 the immediately preceding one at *Chelsea* —
 “Nor was it adhered to on cooler thoughts,
 “by the *Minister* himself.” —

This last *Interview*, as I have said, was a few
 days before *Christmas*. And for *two months* Mr.
 W— neither writ to him, nor went near him,
 till Feb. 27, following, he writ the ensuing *Letter* ;
 which, tho’ something long, he is obliged to en-
 ter at large, in this *his Case*, and begs that it may
 be read with attention, and the *Right* observed
 which he insists on in it.

A Letter to the Right Honourable Sir R—r
 W—LP—LE, sent with the second Edition of
 the Letter to Lord-Chief-Justice KING, on the
 Subject of a Motto to his Lordship’s Coat
 of Arms.

SIR,

Feb. 27. 1725-6.

YOU will not, I hope think it at all strange,
 that I do myself the honour of making you a
 Present of the Inclosed. I think myself, Sir, very
 much

much indebted to you, for your great condescension and humanity in the favourable audience you obliged me with at Chelsea: But I must humbly own to you, that I thought, e'er now, I should have had more effectual reasons given me for a higher Obligation. I thought, and your words, Sir, seemed to testify, that I left you with very favourable Sentiments, not to say Engagements, in my behalf, long since to have been accomplished; and that from the knowledge I gave you, under all the disadvantages of speaking it myself, of my own Character, as well as on account of THE ACKNOWLEDGED INTEREST I have in you, by virtue of my most honoured Patron, my Lord Chancellor's recommendation. And it must be confess'd, that hard is the fate of a person of my years, and endeavours of every kind to render myself the worthy object of a Great Man's favour, to see myself postponed to a remote contingency of a Provision I neither know when, nor where. But I think it no less hard, for a Great Person, Sir, in your exalted station, not to have the Will, as well as you most certainly have the Power to make my time of expectation easy to me. I am not ashamed, Sir, to give you this hint, in the behalf of One, who has laid out a handsome fortune (and a handsome one it must have been to have supported me, in the manner it has, to the Time of Life I am in) with the sole view of accomplishing himself for the service of his Country. There are inferior stations, wherein this is done, by men of my small abilities, as well as such high ones, through which you have passed to that highest One of all, which your most excellent merit has raised you to, and which you fill with a sufficiency acknowledged even by your very Enemies. You were pleased to compliment me on my having entertained so worthy a design, and acknowledged it was as much the following a Profession, as any business that goes by that name. But

But it is not any thing I humbly laid before you concerning myself (whose merit I acknowledge lies rather in a desire to excel, than in actual excelling) that I would be thought to found the freedom of this intimation, so much as from what I have Reason to call a RIGHT I have to be considered in this Light on the foot, and by virtue of my Lord Chancellor's recommendation.

It is no question, Sir, with me, that his Lordship had provided for me himself, and never left me to increase the number of your Supplicators, which your hands are but too full of already, had Mr. SP—R not been made Secretary of the Presentations at your recommendation. This I am assured of: But I hope, Sir, You will do me the justice to believe, that since things have taken this turn they have, and he is actually in possession, that I understand myself too well to press this matter so far as I would one of the like nature, had I other persons to deal with. I love my Lord Chancellor, and honour Yourself, Sir, too much, and know my own interest too well, to do that which might be so made unprofitable to myself, and unacceptable to you Both.

But, Sir, if you would please to reflect, This does not at all alter my Case; which is, “ That of seeing myself deprived of all the fruits of my labour, “ of my honourable interest in a Great Patron, and “ in danger of having all the money I have “ spent, and pains I have taken to qualify myself for “ some service in my generation, all thrown away at “ once; as well as to find myself under difficulties, “ which certainly I deserved not to see come upon me, “ and which I had never felt, had I experienced “ what I had the highest reason to expect (and had “ not that happened, which did happen, I had “ done it) my Lord Chancellor's immediate acting “ in my behalf.”

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Your penetration, Sir, is too great not to see what this drives at. It is, Sir, plainly this, " That since
 " three quarters of a year are past since that was
 " done for a friend of yours, at your Request, by
 " my Lord Chancellor, and nothing done by you, for
 " the friend of Lord Chancellor, who was told by
 " his Lordship's own mouth of an EQUIVALENT ;
 " and three quarters of a year more may pass away,
 " and nothing done ; and since this Person, who is
 " intended by his Lordship, and PROMISED by your-
 " self, to be provided for, is one who has spent his
 " fortune in endeavouring laudably to make himself a
 " worthy object of a great Person's favour, and is in
 " no way of waiting, with any conveniency to himself,
 " till something casually happens ——— That you
 " would be pleased to consider his Case, and exert
 " your generosity, so as to enable him to wait the turn
 " of the wheel of Fortune in his favour, with satis-
 " faction and contentment." Sir, a hundred or two
 of pounds laid out on such an occasion, I cannot but
 think, (were any other person, and not myself the object
 of it) would have no ill appearance in the Treasurer
 of the Publick's accounts, when it was, in a manner,
 the saving to the publick, a young man, who might pos-
 sibly become, one day, of use and ornament to it.

I shall say no more, but refer it humbly to yourself,
 and to your own generosity. Only be pleased to for-
 give me the freedom, and give me leave to tell you, that
 I know mankind, and yourself, Sir, in particular, so
 well, that when you read this, your own conscience says
 to you, This fellow has reason on his side ———
 would to God you add, (and give me, on my seeing you,
 a convincing proof of it). — and I will take care
 of him as he desires ; He writes with spirit. I be-
 lieve I may appear to do so, Sir, but I appeal to your-
 self whether in so doing, on this occasion, I have trans-
 gressed any rules of the manner in which an Inferior
 may

may lay his sentiments before a Superior ; especially on so warm a subject. Finally, such a relief, as I speak of will not affect the nation's cash, nor credit, whatever occasion it has at present of both.

To conclude, Sir, I have suspended making my court to you, as usual, for two reasons. First, because I thought I could do you no honour in so doing. And in the Second place, because it would have carried in it, in my sentiments, " as if I was contented " to have put myself on the foot of a common suitor " to you for a place ; of which you have but too many " already, which no desperateness of fortune shall " ever make me debase myself so far, as to come in- " to, and which, had I done, would have been doing " myself, and likewise Lord Chancellor, great in- " justice". I wish you, Sir, for the happiness of the nation, a long enjoyment of the honours you possess, and may you not resign them till arrived at a mature old age, to a satiety of life and glory, and the time approaches of your receiving (it being now Sunday morning) from your master's master, the reward of a faithful servant. This, Sir, at all events, will be the unfeigned prayer of,

S I R,

Your, &c.

R. W.

A week after the foregoing Letter was sent, Mr. W— waits on the Prime Minister at his Levee, who comes very graciously to him, bids him stay till the company was gone, then takes him into the inner room, and taking out of his Escritore a couple of Bank Notes of 100*l.* each, gave them into his hands.

On so favourable a circumstance as this may appear to be, Mr. W— did not forget the prin-

riple on which all his *intercourse* with the *Minister* was founded: For holding them in his own hands, he said the words following—“ Sir, what is it
 “ you give me *this* for? I can live without You,
 “ or *Lord Chancellor* either, but not in the way I
 “ am in.” To which the *Minister* answered,
 “ I give them to you as an *Earnest* of what I
 “ will CONTINUE to do for you, till I can provide
 “ for you in a more *settled* manner to your liking.
 “ Put them into your pocket.”

On reporting this to *Lord Chancellor*, his Lordship told Mr. W—, “ That Mr. W—LP—LE
 “ had PROMISED *him*, that he would give Mr.
 “ W— the VALUE of the place Mr. SP—R had,
 “ till he got one given him in lieu of it.” Consequent to which, the *Autumn* following, he received from the *Minister* another *hundred pound*.

Thus ended the Year 1726.

On Mr. W—’s application the following *Spring*, after the *Minister*’s recovery from his dangerous illness, nothing falling vacant, the *promise* was renewed, “ Only desiring a little patience whilst
 “ HE was so incumbered on the rising of the Parliament.” But afterwards, “ nothing could be
 “ done for him till after his return from *Norfolk*”. A journey that was prevented by the late King’s *decease*.

Here a new scene arose, the detail of which Mr. W— is not at all desirous, and hopes he shall not be *obliged* to enter into. He not publishing his *Case* out of any *ill-will* to the *Minister*, but from a principle of justice to the late *Lord Chancellor KING* and *himself*. He has copies of all the *Letters* he writ, and memorandums of all he said, in support and maintenance of his *right*, during the two succeeding years of 1727 and 1728, (in which he had nothing given him, at least, not
 till

till late in *December* the last of these two years,) and *minutes* of all the various *subterfuges* and *evasions* made use of to put him off from it. *December* 19, 1728, he had 100*l.* given him. At *Lady-day*, 1729, he had another 100*l.* In 1730, 50*l.* And in 1731, 100*l.* more. The total he has received, in now near twelve years time, being 650*l.* in LIEU of 300*l.* a year, or rather a *Place* of that value, stipulated for him in *Lord Chancellor's* words, as an *Equivalent*, and in the *Minister's*, as GOOD A THING, in consideration of his *daughter-in-law's* TRUSTEE'S being made *Secretary* of the *Presentations*, and this by the *Minister's* own acknowledgment to Mr. W—— himself. FOR TILL the *Minister* himself told him so, Mr. W—— never heard that the *Gentleman* that had the place, was, or had been, a *Trustee* to his *daughter-in-law*.

Mr. W—— denies not but these *separate sums* were of great use to him, and that he has frequently complimented the *Minister* on his great generosity in bestowing them on him ; altho' they cost Mr. W—— infinite attendance, and many a heart-break put-off. — But, however, they came very opportunely in aid to the *necessities* he laboured under. — But, for Heaven's sake, WHOSE *goodness*, WHOSE *justice*, WHOSE *generosity* brought him into those *necessities* ?

“ Mr. W—— had conducted his fortunes so
 “ far, as to recommend himself to a LORD-HIGH-
 “ CHANCELLOR of his country, in such a manner,
 “ as that his Lordship thought himself *obliged*,
 “ in honour, and in conscience, to *provide* for
 “ him ; provides for him at *second-hand*,” (a better way than *at first*, had it been complied with)
 “ by the *Minister*,” (and that even on a consideration that related to the benefit of his own *Family*,) “ The *Minister* sends for Mr. W——, and
 “ TELLS

“ TELLS him so, and a *Place* not readily falling,
 “ gives him the value of it for *one year*, with the
 “ PROMISE made to the *Lord Chancellor* and to
 “ himself, of continuing it to him, till a proper va-
 “ cancy should happen,” and then stops short—
 Neither gives him the *Place*, tho’ several very
 proper vacancies fell, nor the promised value in the
 mean time, for *two* whole years.. And AFTER he
 had reduced him to the greatest streights by this
 usage, finally puts him off with those *elemosynary*
supplies abovementioned. Is this *Honour*? Is this
Conscience? I leave this to be answer’d by HIM
 whom it principally concerns, or by any of his
Forlorn Hope.

During his being so far considered, as to have
 the latter sums advanced him, Mr. W— had re-
 peated assurances given him, of being more effec-
 tually considered in something of a more solid man-
 ner: But, for decency’s sake, waved pressing this,
 being entered into the *Ecclesiastical State*, till he
 had been in it some time, and until it might be
 seen in what manner his *Character* would turn out
 in that state. “ Tho’ this was a *Concession* no
 “ ways necessary; it being an indulgence towards
 “ the discharge of an *Obligation* that arose inde-
 “ pendent of his being of it.” Mr. W— has
 now been in it upwards of *seven years*, and, he
 humbly hopes, with a *becoming character*.

After such an unheard of moderation and for-
 bearance in a matter that so nearly concerned
 him, and after repeated journies to town, as well
 as occasional letters from the country, to put the
Minister in mind of him; when no regard was
 had from 1731, neither to the *principal Debt* *,
 nor

* There happened in 1735 a very proper Vacancy for Mr. W—,
 in the county where he lived, of a *fine cure* of 100 l. a year va-
 lue,

nor to any *interest* on it (Mr. *W*— having considered these *latter Sums*, only in that light) he came, at length, to a resolution of coming to an *issue* with the *Minister*, on this important occasion. Wherefore, on his coming to town, in *September 1735*, after a complimentary interview or two, he renewed his *Instances*, and had the honour, *finally*, to be told, “ That he was a *Stranger* to the *Minister*; that he had NEVER promised him any thing; that he would do No-
“ *thing* for him.”

Left so surprising a turn of sentiment should be imputed to Mr. *W*—’s having either writ or spoke something that was so heinous as, at once, to annihilate such solemn *Obligations*, as have been above specified, hereunto are annexed the two *Letters* that he writ to the *Great Person*, soon after his coming to town, previous to those so consistent sentiments with what has been above related. When Mr. *W*— first waited on the *Minister*, being asked, “ If he had any commands, &c.” he put the *Great Man* in mind of the two *Prebends* of *Worcester*, then vacant; but was told, “ They
“ were promised;” on which he soon after writ the first of the *Letters* in the *Appendix*, and in reply to the *Answer* he received to it, he writ the second.

The substance of the words that passed on the first, were, “ Mr. *W*—, you take the way for
“ me to give you a *harsh* answer by your expression, of putting an end to your hopes, or of securing

lue, the seeing which disposed in the manner it was, did not a little improve the resolution Mr. *W*— waited on the *Minister* with, that year. It was given to a *Creature* of the *Minister*’s, who had 600 *l.* a year before, given him. — After such an unnecessary regard to interest in the *Minister* to his FRIEND, can the *Minister*, or his most devoted servants, blame Mr. *W*— for making good his pretensions?

“ *them.*

“ *them.* — Why will you, Sir, make *me* an *ex-*
 “ *ception* to the general tenor of your proceed-
 “ ings? What is it that has done you so much
 “ service as your generosity, and your being a *man*
 “ of your word? — *You are a Stranger to me.* —
 “ What, Sir, after ten years acquaintance?

This passed at the *Levee* on the *first* letter.

And on the *second.* The *Minister* came to Mr.
W—, the *last remaining Person*, till fresh com-
 pany came in, and said, “ I don’t know what to
 “ say to you; you are a *Stranger* to me; you talk
 “ of *Promises*, I NEVER promised you any thing.”

Mr. *W—* to this had the presence of mind to
 say, Sir, why will you depart from your integri-
 “ ty (or from the integrity of your character)
 “ for so small a matter as providing for me? In-
 deed you have *promised* me.” This Mr. *W—*
 was very far from intending as an affront, how-
 ever ill it was taken. Nay, in his poor sentiments,
 the words contain a compliment, as they *suppose*
 the *Great Person* possess’d his integrity. Since
 he could not depart from that he *had not*.

But it seems, “ This was not language to be
 “ given to a *Great Minister*: It was affronting
 “ him in his own house.” And after some alter-
 cation, in which Mr. *W—* appeals to those that
 came in, Whether he did not keep his temper
 (tho’ if he had not, he does not see what it would
 signify, *losers* have leave to speak, and to the *pri-*
*me*st of *Ministers*, no doubt, in such a case, as well
 as to other Men) SENTENCE was immediately pas-
 sed, with great and very unusual emotion (and
 which, as Mr. *W—* has been told, continued for
 some time after he was retired) “ That *He* NEVER
 “ would do any thing for him.”

From which *final sentence* Mr. *W—*, for the
foregoing reasons, craves leave to make this his *pub-*
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lick APPEAL ; and humbly hopes, he may thus bring it, consistent with all *laws*, *human*, as well as *divine* : But if not, he is very ready to undergo, in affirmance of the TRUTH of what is above related, whatever *Penalty* may justly be inflicted on him.

CONCLUSION.

Mr. *W*— has as mean an opinion of the obligation of *voluntary* promises, as any man, and well knows what they *are*, and sometimes, he thinks, ought to be in the lips of *Great Men*. The stations of *Great Men* make them liable to be addressed to ; and good manners make them receive those addresses in a civil manner ; and when either honour, or interest, or particular affection comes in the way, something is done.

Mr. *W*— is of opinion, “ That no course of time can make a *simple recommendation*, tho’ attended with a *favourable answer*, become an *obligation*.” And therefore, tho’ his GR—CE abovementioned, gave Mr. *W*— *this answer*, “ That he had *then* no opportunity of obliging him, but should be glad when he had.” Mr. *W*— never imagined, nor pretended to imagine any *Pretensions*, on his GR—CE, could arise from it ; nor from such recommendation, tho’ accompanied with so civil a reception. Nor did he ever presume to put his GR—CE in mind of it afterward.

But Mr. *W*— humbly hopes, *The Case* in question will appear to all persons of honour and conscience far otherwise. And that as no course of time can make the *Pretensions* of the *one* valid, so no course of time can make those of the *other* void : But, on the contrary, much the *stronger*.

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As the not complying with them, has been infinitely detrimental to him, both in point of *Fortune*, (in the being *deprived* of the enjoyment for so long a time, and in the *prime* of *Life*, of those *conveniencies*, which would have attended his possessing what was intended, and for one year performed for him) and in point of *Character*. Not the most *immaterial* circumstance to a man of *spirit*.

“ In *his Case* it appears, and must appear with
 “ honour to him, what an *interest* he had in the
 “ affections and good opinion of the Lord-Chief-
 “ Justice KING, at a time, when he was in his
 “ highest glory, *the most popular Man* in the King-
 “ dom, before his Lordship’s mind was broke by
 “ the weight of his Great Office, and by the
 “ manner he was treated in, as soon as possessed
 “ of it. It must appear what *agreement* his Lord-
 “ ship entered into, with the *Prime Minister* for
 “ him, and *with what reason*. That, consequent
 “ to it, the *Minister* sends for him *himself*, takes
 “ upon *himself* the *fulfilling* that reciprocal *agree-*
 “ *ment* to give him as good a thing, as Lord Chan-
 “ cellor had given his *daughter-in-law’s* Trustee,
 “ on that very *consideration*. Acts on it for *one*
 “ year — Can he say *himself* he has *fulfilled* it?
 “ Can any one say it for him? Can any subsequent
 “ coldness between the Lord Chancellor and the
 “ *Prime Minister* vacate this antecedent stipulation
 “ in favour of Mr. W—, a *third* person? Especially
 “ whilst the minister’s *Party* continued in *full en-*
 “ *joyment* of his *alternative*? Can Mr. W—’s in-
 “ sisting on a *Right* so solemnly assented to, and
 “ on the *fulfilling* of which his *fortune* depended,
 “ with *Spirit* and *Resolution* (tho’, as his *Letters*,
 “ if need be, will shew ever with *decency* and good
 “ *manners*) vacate it? And if not *vacated*, it must
 “ *subsist*

subfist. UNLESS the Hoc Volo, the arbitrary will and pleasure of ONE, who never was fond of an *oppressive* character, in the general tenor of his administration, *vacates* it."

But in no sort of behaviour has Mr. W—— merited at his hands, " That it should be made known, that *he* was an exception to so *praiseworthy* a Conduct.

THE FIRST

A P P E N D I X

CONTAINING

The Two Letters referred to, p. 26. A Third writ New-year's-day following, with four others, relating to the writing and publishing the Case.

S I R, *St. Martin's-Lane, Sept. 8, 1735.*

" A S you have been pleased to tell me,
 " that you would speak to my Lord of
 " L——n of me, and as his *Lordship* has
 " likewise had the goodness to acquaint me, he
 " shall see you on *Wednesday* next, I humbly crave
 " leave of you *Both*, to make my humble appearance in your joint-presence, by this most
 " humble *Representation*.

" The exalted stations you *both* bear in the nation, are not of more importance to yourselves, than an advancement of my small fortunes is to me.

" I am not ignorant, Sir, that there are many reasons which govern you, in the disposal of

“ your favours, that do not reach me : But there
 “ is *one reason* that has its influence with you occa-
 “ sionally, that does extend to me ; and that is,
 “ that known generosity that adorns your soul,
 “ that makes you delight to confer happiness ;
 “ and that never suffers you to give encourage-
 “ ment, to hope for any good, without the in-
 “ tention of effecting it.

“ Forgive me, Sir, if I humbly ask you, how
 “ frequently has this reason carried you, to con-
 “ fer substantial favours to *newer* acquaintance,
 “ and to less zealous servants than myself ? At
 “ least, to more zealous it could never carry
 “ you.

“ Sir, I have been content not to be very ur-
 “ gent with you, till I had been in the Church
 “ some time. I have been *now* so, near *seven*
 “ years ; and, I hope, no *objection* can arise to
 “ your putting your kind intentions in my favour
 “ in execution, from any behaviour of mine in
 “ that character.—I hope my Lord of *L--d--n*
 “ will have the goodness to second this most hum-
 “ ble insinuation.

“ You have formerly told me, Sir, you had
 “ *Lifts* by you of *Candidates* for *civil* employ-
 “ ment. Have you not *such* for your favour in
 “ *Ecclesiastical* ? I could with pleasure throw my-
 “ self on your favour, to be provided for, *when*
 “ and *how* you please ; and leave the town with
 “ satisfaction on it : Whither I am come, in this
 “ *leisure* season of the year, purely to pay my
 “ humble duty to you *Both*.

“ If any ever were provided for *that* way, why
 “ may not I expect it ? If not, I would not desire it,
 “ *New incidents*, Sir, must daily occur, that can-
 “ not be *engaged* before you know of their *falling* :
 “ Nor can any thing expected to fall be engaged,
 “ without

“ without your knowing what *just Pretenders*
 “ there are to the favour. — Any cast off old
 “ coat of a *Commendam* will serve me.

“ But, if I must ask *particularly*; What must I
 “ ask, *Prebend*, or *Living*—*Dean’ry*, or *Bishoprick*?
 “ — But what are there of the *two former* of
 “ these, that are not asked, and asked over again,
 “ according to the degree of probability of their
 “ becoming vacant? And how shall I provide
 “ better for myself *this way*? A falling contin-
 “ gency, you will tell me, is promised; a stand-
 “ ing contingency may never fall.

“ In fine, Sir, I humbly throw myself on your
 “ goodness to put an end to my hopes, or to se-
 “ cure them.

“ It is sorely against my nature to be trouble-
 “ some out of expectation; I had much rather
 “ be so out of gratitude. No-body can deny
 “ me the glory of a most grateful heart. This,
 “ Sir, I have displayed both in town and country,
 “ in your respect, on every occasion; and many
 “ have occurred. My future gratitude will be
 “ the same, for whatever favour this most hum-
 “ ble *representation* may be attended with in pos-
 “ session (before I leave the town,) or in certain
 “ reversion.

“ Sir, I have only this further grace to ask,
 “ that I may have that little respect paid to
 “ my understanding, as not to be told, *It is*
 “ *not in your power to lay an eternal obligation*
 “ *on,*

S I R,

Your most obedient,
 and most humble servant.

To

To the SAME, after the first Expostulation.

S I R,

Sept. 17. 1735.

“ I Am not come to town with any intention
 “ of offending you ; nor was my *late Letter*
 “ writ with that view ; however it had the mis-
 “ fortune to give offence : But, I hope, in ap-
 “ pearance only. For, surely, Sir, that should
 “ not be matter of displeasure to any man, much
 “ less to yourself, to have an *opinion of your word* ;
 “ nor that a man should be so much his own
 “ friend, as to desire to be freed from hopes,
 “ that are not to be gratified.

“ God forbid, Sir, this should be *my Case*, both
 “ for your sake and my own : But if it be, God
 “ forbid but I should know it.

“ Sir, if I did not love, honour, and respect
 “ you in the sincerest manner, I would not write
 “ in so plain a manner. It is the high opinion
 “ I have of your honour, and *just* regard to my
 “ own interest, that makes me do it.

“ People of the best sense, that I converse with,
 “ and that are your friends, Sir, tell me, you
 “ might have provided for me long since, if you
 “ had pleased to entertain the resolution of do-
 “ ing it, and so prepared the way for it. There
 “ is *now* a Deanry, Canonry, and *two* Prebends
 “ vacant. One of the *last* of which is the *least*
 “ that you can provide for me by.——*But there*
 “ *are other Candidates of more consequence than I*
 “ *am.*——Pray, Sir, when will there be not ?
 “ If I am never to be thought on, but when no
 “ competitor appears, I shall never be thought
 “ on to purpose at all.

“ Sir, I humbly crave leave to desire you to re-
 “ solve *my Case* in your mind, as you come this
 “ morn-

“ morning to town, and to honour me with a fa-
 “ vourable answer, suitable to the natural equity of
 “ your mind. Every worthy inducement is in
 “ my favour. I am your Friend. I have approv-
 “ ed myself so, both in speaking and writing. I
 “ have had your own PROMISE on the most deli-
 “ berate state of my Case. And tho’ your occasi-
 “ onal favours have been of great use to me, yet they
 “ have supplied only those very necessities, which
 “ the deferring the performance of your Promise,
 “ in my favour, laid me under. No just exception
 “ can be made to my character on any account; and
 “ I am as devoted a subject to his present Majesty as
 “ lives.

“ I am in hopes, Sir, these considerations put
 “ together, will have their due weight with you.
 “ And that should reason be against me, as to
 “ ONE of the vacant *Prebends*, you will endea-
 “ vour to secure the first suitable vacancy that
 “ falls. I will stay in town till the Parliament
 “ meets; before which time, I hope, you will
 “ have both opportunity and Will to rid your
 “ hands of the importunate, tho’ very just solli-
 “ citation of,

S I R,

Your Ec. Ec. Ec.

To the SAME.

S I R,

Jan. 1. 1735-6.

“ THE profound respect I owe you, has
 “ made me sit down silent *thus long*, un-
 “ der the displeasure you express’d, when I last
 “ had the honour of waiting on you. Which,
 “ however, I had the misfortune to feel the
 “ weight

“ weight of, yet *my* conscience tells me, and I hope;
 “ Sir, the justness of your own sentiments on re-
 “ collection, have already told you, I no way de-
 “ signed wilfully to deserve.

“ I now, Sir, appear before you; to make you
 “ the compliments of the *day*, and withal to put
 “ you in mind of me, at a time, when by re-
 “ peated experience, I have found you have been
 “ both willing and able to make those, who have
 “ any just hopes of your more solid considera-
 “ tion, expect the happy accomplishment with
 “ less uneasiness.

“ Sir, I may err, and, for ought I know, justly
 “ deserve your censure for the *manner* of my ap-
 “ plication to you for your expected favours :
 “ But should I not err more, in your own opini-
 “ on, should I renounce all the pretensions to the
 “ repeated encouragements you have given me,
 “ of being considered by you, in a manner suita-
 “ ble to the power you possess, and to my poor
 “ ability of receiving.

“ I am willing to receive whatever favour you
 “ shall please to bestow, in what manner, and at
 “ what time you please. And I am ready to be
 “ as thankful to you for it, as if, *indeed*, I was a
 “ mere *stranger* to you.

“ Sir, I write this in great confidence of your
 “ goodness, and of your favourable recollection
 “ in my behalf ! either as to any temporary re-
 “ freshment you shall please to oblige me with,
 “ at this season, as of old ; or, to your crown-
 “ ing it with any future more solid establishment.
 “ I hope in *Both*.

“ As to the *last* of *which*, if *opportunities* did
 “ not fall to enable you to do it by your own im-
 “ mediate influence, yet surely might it easily be
 “ brought about, by an effectual recommenda-
 “ tion

“ tion to *Those* who frequently have it in their
 “ power, and who are sometimes called upon to
 “ express acknowledgments of greater favours re-
 “ ceived from you, by conferring small ones on
 “ your meaner friends.

“ Sir, I know not how to appear at your pub-
 “ lick *Levee* to be informed of your pleasure. I
 “ will apply myself for your commands to-mor-
 “ row morning to —. If you please to see me,
 “ I am confident I shall leave you with the re-
 “ newal of those favourable sentiments which you
 “ have formerly expressed towards, *S I R*,

Your most unfeigned,
faithful, humble Servant.

*This Letter not having the desired effect, Mr. W—
 forbore all farther application, till the day he left
 the town on last Summer, when he sent the following.*

S I R, St. Martin's-lane, June 7, 1736.

“ **T**HIS humbly waits on you to make you
 “ my bows of leave, on my going out of
 “ town for the *season*, instead of doing a thing
 “ that might be less agreeable to you, waiting on
 “ you in person.

“ I have gone, Sir, so far, as to write my *Case*.
 “ But I can go no further *of myself*. It must be
 “ Sir *R—W—* himself that must publish it, if
 “ it ever goes into the world. I am too much,
 “ both in head and heart, his servant, and in too
 “ good and too great a disposition to continue
 “ so, to do it.

“ I have this day, unknown to any-body, sent
 “ it to — whom I never saw but *once*, and who,
 “ I believe, hardly remembers me, as the most
 “ proper Person I could think of, to communicate

F

“ it

“ it to, if it at all concerns You, Sir, and to pardon the impertinence of it, if it does not.

“ It is yet an *absolute Secret*; my desire is it may ever continue so.

“ Sir, I cannot for my life persuade myself, but that it is owing to your letting slip the *merits* of my *Case* out of your mind, that *matters* are gone *so far*. This, Sir, might easily happen, thro’ the multiplicity of affairs of much greater consequence to yourself, tho’ of much less to me, that have taken up, and do daily take up, your attention. You may easily resume the matter again, and do in it what shall, in your *own opinion*, on a review of it, be consonant to *honour, conscience, and justice*. I cannot help thinking I have a *strong plea* in my favour.

“ I believe it will appear so, to every impartial person, that shall come to the knowledge of it; even of *yourself*, Sir, on a candid perusal of it. And while I *do* think so (with what reason my *Case* will speak) and am finally dropped, — Who can blame me, if I put myself in the *case* of a *person*, who, when he has not *Fortune*, is willing, at least, to shew, *That he has Money OWING to him*? I leave you, Sir, with the *sentiments* of my Letter of the *New-year*, and am,

Ec. Ec. Ec.

R. W.

To —, with the foregoing *Case*.

S I R, St. Martin’s-lane, June 7, 1736.

“ IF, on opening the *Enclosed*, you shall find
“ Sir R — W — at all concerned in it, you
“ will please to communicate the *Contents* of it to
“ him.

" him. The thing is yet an *absolute secret*, as is
 " likewise the communicating it to you. And
 " *both*, if Sir R— W— and you please, will
 " for ever remain so. I love HIM too well, tho'
 " he has dealt with me very hardly, to do what
 " shall be disagreeable to *Him*, without reason;
 " and I love *Myself* too well not to do it, with it.
 " As I have no other view in taking this free-
 " dom with you, Sir, but for that most noble
 " and honourable Person's service, I hope you
 " will readily excuse it; and, that, the effect of
 " it will be, that about *Christmas* next, I may
 " have *such* an *answer*, as that the *consequences*,
 " be they what they will, will be agreeable to
 " every one concerned.

I am, SIR,

Esq. Esq.

To the SAME.

SIR St. James's-street, Jan. 9, 1736-7.

" IN my Letter on my going out of town last
 " " Summer, which accompanied the *Packet*,
 " I then sent you, I gave such *Reasons* for my
 " giving you the unexpected trouble of them,
 " that, I hope, in your own opinion, I stand in
 " no occasion for making any further apology,
 " for *that* application, or for *this* that arises
 " from it.

" I told you, Sir, therein, that about *Christ-*
 " *mas* next, I would come to town for an *Answer*,
 " hoping it would be an *equitable* one. I am
 " now come thither for that purpose, and give
 " you, Sir, this *second* trouble for your great
 " Friend's sake, more than my own.

" I have no affection to give the town any
 " Entertainment. I have no desire to do any
 " thing

“ thing that may be disagreeable to so honourable
 “ and noble a Person, or to any of his Friends:
 “ Among the number of which I have ever been,
 “ without the least deviation. And it is at all
 “ events my intention to continue so. For, as a
 “ *Minister*, I am as much his humble servant as
 “ any-body. But as by his not performing his
 “ *Engagements* to the late *Lord Chancellor*, on
 “ my behalf, he nipped my fortunes in the bud,
 “ and not only *that*, but made me suffer infinite
 “ inconveniencies to boot. As neither of these
 “ can now be undone, and as both happened at
 “ first, and in their effects continued in the *prime*
 “ *part of Life*, I own I am very indifferent *what*
 “ his final determination may be in the matter.

“ But, Sir, I must own, that I am so sanguine,
 “ as notwithstanding what has passed, to hope
 “ for a *favourable*, and a *decisive answer*, from
 “ that *Great Person*. That there is reason for
 “ this expectation must, I question not, have ap-
 “ peared to yourself, supposing the *Case* to be
 “ *true*. And as to the *Truth* of it, I have that
 “ opinion of the honesty of Sir R—— W——’s
 “ heart still, as that, if his weighty affairs, have
 “ given him liberty to look on it in a cool hour,
 “ there is nothing asserted materially to infer the
 “ *Right* I ground my Pretensions on, but what
 “ he himself, whose memory is so good, will ac-
 “ knowledge. But if the Word *Right* does not
 “ still please him, I am content to accept of any
 “ satisfaction that shall be reasonable, under what
 “ *Term* he pleases, And am ready humbly to
 “ *thank him* for what is so much my *Due*. But
 “ if he chuses still to treat my *Pretensions* as
 “ *chimerical*, and to continue to look on me, as
 “ a *Stranger* to him, he must allow me to make
 “ my *Appeal* to the *Publick*, the only *Resource* I
 “ have

“ have left me, on so disagreeable an occasion.
 “ I know no law of God or Man I shall violate
 “ by doing this. And the moderation that I
 “ have so long shewn in forbearing to come to
 “ extremity; the reluctance I now shew to pro-
 “ ceed; and the spirit with which, if obliged
 “ to it, I shall execute my final resolution, will
 “ I question not, procure me, from every im-
 “ partial person, a candid approbation.

“ But I hope, Sir, the *Case* has appeared to
 “ you, who are so much, and so sincerely his
 “ friend, of some importance to himself; and
 “ that the leisure of the Summer has given *him*
 “ leave to reconsider it, and the natural ingenuity
 “ of *his* mind (not necessary, Sir, on all occasions
 “ to be prompted by *yours*) will have led him
 “ to give me a satisfactory answer. I have no
 “ ambition I assure you, Sir, for the honour of
 “ *gaining a Point* of so great a Person. The on-
 “ ly thing I have an ambition for, is to do
 “ that duty I owe to God, of doing my late
 “ *Lord Chancellor*, and *Myself* Justice.

“ Wonder not, Sir, that I write with so bold
 “ a spirit in an affair where so Great a Person
 “ is concerned. We are *Both MEN*, and conse-
 “ quently, alike *MORTAL*, and *Co-subjects*. Two
 “ considerations that may very well make *one*
 “ Person to make light of *another's* superior distin-
 “ ction, in an affair, where the Honour and
 “ Happiness of his whole life depended.

“ Consider, Sir, no man has ever more ho-
 “ nourably concerned himself for his friend's
 “ interest than *Himself*. And why should I incur
 “ *his* Censure, or that which I respect very much,
 “ Sir, *yours*, for concerning myself for my own?

“ The late *Lord Chancellor's* FAVOUR was, at
 “ that time, my *Inheritance*. SIR ROBERT WAL-

“ POLE

" POLE has made *his* so to many a Man. What
 " I have received since from his Lordship, in the
 " decline of his Character, Temper, and Dispo-
 " sition towards me, was very inconsiderable, to
 " that which he intended, and was stipulated for
 " me, in the full blaze of all these respects.
 " However, I know from *his Lordship's* own
 " mouth, what he gave me, was never intended
 " to pay any part of what was owing from Sir
 " R— W—. Nor ought I to be a loser from
 " Sir R— W— by any uneasiness, I gave his
 " Lordship, for the *Former's* non-performance of
 " his *Engagements* in my behalf. — You your-
 " self, Sir, don't think I ought, as you read this.
 " Neither will any impartial Person be of opini-
 " on, that any *warmth of Application* to the *Great*
 " *Man* himself, on my part, for what was so so-
 " lemnly and avowedly stipulated for me, and so
 " NOTORIOUSLY my DUE, when neglected, at all
 " lessen my Pretensions to it.

" It is true, I am now in an *Ecclesiastical Way*.
 " I was not so then. But neither does *This* alter
 " the *Case*, but rather facilitate to him the means
 " of making me easy. *Altho' I am very far from*
 " *being ambitious* that way, and have only in view
 " *the having, what I think I may justly call MY*
 " *OWN, given me. And matter not at all which*
 " *way it is done.*

" On the whole, I leave both *matter* and *man-*
 " *ner to Himself.* and will wait on you, on *Tues-*
 " *day morning next, for such answer as shall be*
 " *thought proper to be given to,*

S I R,

Sir R— W—'s and

Your Ec. Ec. Ec.

To

To the SAME.

S I R,

Jan. 24. 1736-7.

“ I Hope you have not forgot the honour you
 “ intended me, of accepting the *Present* I
 “ here make you. Since I forgot to bring them
 “ when I last waited on you, I was resolved to
 “ make amends for that neglect, by *binding* all
 “ those that could be well brought together, that,
 “ if you please, you may make them a more last-
 “ ing monument of my most sincere esteem and
 “ respect. No way, I assure you, Sir, to be af-
 “ fected by any turn my *grand affair* may take.
 “ I took a great liking in the long conversa-
 “ tion we had together, on our first interview,
 “ to that Candour, Generosity, Sweetness of Tem-
 “ per, and Benevolence, which so visibly go to
 “ the composition of your amiable Character.
 “ Nor did I change my sentiments in any of these
 “ respects, in my *second conference*, when the thing
 “ took a quite contrary turn to what, *one* of us,
 “ at least, wished it might.

“ After my *Present* was ready for you, I sus-
 “ pended the transmitting of it to you, in order
 “ to take a day or two’s time to pass over in my
 “ mind, in the most calm and serious manner, I
 “ am able, the *Refusal* your Great Friend makes
 “ of coming to any terms with me.

“ And, on reflection, this has occurred to me.

“ I would not pretend to sound the heart of
 “ any man; but forgive me, Sir, if I now *speak*
 “ *plain*, and tell you, that to me it appears, that
 “ it is the Great Person’s *height of mind*, or, in
 “ harsher, but more expressive terms, *pride of*
 “ *heart*, that made him send me the *final answer*
 “ you brought me.

“ He

“ He cannot deny his being in honour engaged
 “ to provide for me. No man will ever read my
 “ Case, and not think he was. He cannot think
 “ seriously 650 l. a discharge of that Engagement.
 “ The nearest friend he has, whatever he may
 “ not say, will not think so. And as to the man-
 “ ner in which I may at any time have applied to
 “ him for my Debt, I am as willing to put that
 “ to issue as he himself, or any of his most attach-
 “ ed friends can be. Every Letter I writ, and e-
 “ very thing that ever passed between us shall
 “ appear. I know the respect, Sir, due to so great
 “ a person : I know also, and question not, to
 “ make all my Readers sensible of the respect a
 “ private gentleman owes himself.

“ I have imagined, Sir, in revolving the An-
 “ swer you brought me, over in my mind, that
 “ one reason why the Great Person chuses to stand
 “ out, may be his apprehension of Others, and,
 “ perhaps, Great Persons, being at the bottom of
 “ my endeavours to do myself justice.

“ But I protest to you once more, no-body is
 “ privy to what has pass’d between Us, or has
 “ seen the Case, other than two friends, both very
 “ much the humble Servants of Sir R— W—. A
 “ third Person has seen the Case, equally the
 “ Great Man’s friend, but knows not to whom I
 “ sent it. Besides These, no one ever saw the Case;
 “ and but two others ever heard of it, and they
 “ in the manner only in which I told you.

“ Sir, whether there has, or has not, been any
 “ thing in these, or any other collateral considera-
 “ tions to make the Great Person determined not
 “ to come to terms with me, I know not. But
 “ I was willing to lay these things before you,
 “ that you may have another instance, of the re-
 “ luctance with which I shall do any thing that
 “ may

“ may be disagreeable to the Great Man's *Friends*,
 “ tho', as it seems, not so to *Himself*. And this,
 “ Sir, not at all on my own account. You pres-
 “ sed me very hard to tell you my *reasons* for
 “ printing my *Case*, but I did not disclose them
 “ all, nor the *strongest*.

“ Sir R—— W—— may rest assured I am
 “ prompted by none of his *Enemies* to do what I
 “ have *resolved* on, and that I shall continue, as
 “ much as ever, ministerially, his friend. And,
 “ as far otherwise *his most humble servant*, as, after
 “ having received such usage from him, and been
 “ driven to such extremity in the finest part of
 “ my life, either *he himself*, or you, Sir, can think
 “ I can, or ought to be.

“ Once for all. Let him consider, that com-
 “ ing to terms with me, is not submitting him-
 “ self to me, but to that which the *Greatest Per-*
 “ *son*, ought not to be ashamed to *bow before*,
 “ and that is TRUTH. I neither desire, nor de-
 “ sign myself any share in the triumph. And
 “ should he yet be brought to *consider*, neither
 “ from me nor my friends, should it otherwise,
 “ on occasion, be spoke of, than that I had a
 “ *private friend* who was pleased to *interpose* for
 “ me with him, &c. &c.

“ Whatever be the *consequence*, I will hereafter
 “ say no more. And lest even *this* that I have
 “ now said, should appear to have proceeded
 “ from any *Reluctance* I have to the publishing
 “ my *Case*, other than out of pure consideration
 “ for Sir R—— W—— and his *friends*, and so
 “ be misconstrued, tho' I shall ever be proud of
 “ any opportunity to pay my humble respects to
 “ you, Sir, yet I desire to be excused if I do not
 “ apply to you to inform myself of the *Great*
 “ *Man's* determination, on the *final remonstrance*.

“ of this *Letter* ; should it be brought before
 “ him.

“ For the future, the affair shall be His, not
 “ that of,

S I R, Your most obedient,
 humble Servant,
 R. W.

THE SECOND

A P P E N D I X.

N. B. The following *Letters* tending to strengthen
 Mr. W—'s interest in the Lord Chief-Justice
 KING's affections, and being, in part, referred
 to, when he speaks (above, p. 4.) of his hav-
 ing encreased that interest, by the *Regard* he
 had paid him in his *Travels*, he hopes he shall
 be pardoned the inserting them, by way of
Appendix to his *Case*, as a few honourable and
 unquestionable *Testimonies*, among many of the
 like nature he has by him, of that *Regard*.

*Letter from Mr. SCOTT, Envoy Extraordinary
 to the late King of POLAND.*

S I R, Leipzig, May 4, 1722.

“ I Thank you kindly for your *Letter* of April
 “ the 28th, which I received on *Saturday*
 “ last. That which you did me the favour to write
 “ to me from *Habn* came also safe, and I did
 “ not fail to speak to the * Velt-Mareschal about
 “ the *Letter*, but he told me, he had burnt it in
 “ your own presence. I am much obliged to

* Count Fleming.

“ you

“ you for the account you give me of what hath
 “ passed at *Berlin* since your arrival there. And
 “ am heartily glad that you maintain yourself so
 “ well in their *Prussian Majesties* good graces.
 “ But you must allow me to tell you, that you
 “ have lost ground considerably here *, since we
 “ have been informed, that in all companies you
 “ fall foul upon our *plumets blancs*, and *talons*
 “ *rouges*. † This is to attack us in a very sensible
 “ part, and some people I find stick not to say,
 “ That nothing but a narrow prepossession in fa-
 “ vour of your own *country modes*, could make
 “ you find fault with *Feathers* and *Red Heels*,
 “ since there is no doubt but these give as much
 “ the genteel air, and are as sure marks of the
 “ *bel esprit*, as were formerly *Shoulder-knots*, of
 “ which you know a famous Doctor said, Lord !
 “ that fellow has got no soul ; Where’s his *Shoul-*
 “ *der-knot* ? I cannot enough wonder that you,
 “ who, in all your *Characters*, bear so much to
 “ the favourable side, should judge so uncharita-
 “ bly of the *distinguishing ornaments* of a *Saxon*
 “ *Courtier*. I shall do my best to retrieve your
 “ Credit, but if you will be advised by me, you
 “ will, as soon as possible, make a solemn recan-
 “ tation, and publish to the world, An *Essay* in
 “ praise of *Red-heel’d Shoes*, and *Feathers in the*
 “ *Hat* ; to which you may add, if you please, A
 “ *Disertation on low Heels, short Wastecoats, lit-*

* Court of Saxony.

† This relates to an *evasive answer* Mr. W—— gave the
 King of PRUSSIA, on his return from *Dresden* to *Berlin*, to a
Question his Majesty asked him in a great deal of company,
 “ How he liked the Court of Saxony ? ” Which answer was,
 “ That it was a Court where a Man might wear a *white Feather*
 “ in his *Hat*, or a *red Heel* to his *Shoe*, without passing for a *Pe-*
 “ *tit Maitre*. ”

" the Hats, and long Tails *. I have not seen the
 " Velt-Mareschal since Saturday last, but as soon
 " as I do, I shall deliver your Letter ; and shall
 " also send to Count Wackerbart that for him.
 " In the mean time, I can assure you, that you
 " will always find me, what you found me at
 " Dresden, that, is, very sincerely, but without
 " compliment, S I R,

Your most obedient, and

Most humble Servant,

J. SCOTT.

* The Prussian Mode.

Letter from Mr. ARNOT, private Secretary to
 Count Fleming, to Mr. W.—

Monsieur,

Leipzig, 17. May, 1722.

(a) " S. E. a lue celle dont vous m'avez, ho-
 " noré du 28me d'Avril. Et m'a
 " dit que vous avez bien fait, de n'avoir pas
 " nommé celuy † à talon, rouge, mais que vous
 " auriez pû hardiment nommé celuy § au plumet
 " blanc, & qu'il s'estimerait heureux d'être mis
 " auran des petits maitres, Puisque par consequent,
 " on le mettroit au nombre des jeunes gens.

Je suis, Monsieur, &c. &c.

ARNOT.

† Count Vitzdum, § Count Fleming himself.

S I R,

Leipsick, May 17. 1722.

(a) " His Excellency has read the Letter you did me
 " the favour to write to me, the 28th of April, and says,
 " That you did very well not to mention him who
 " wears the red Heels, but that you were welcome to
 " have named him that wears the white Feather. For
 " he should be very well pleased to be ranked among
 " the Petit Maitres, whilst that placed him among the
 " young Fellows.

I am, &c. &c.

Letter

*Letter from Velt-Mareschal Count FLEMING, to
Mr. W——.*

Monsieur, De Warsovie, 12. Août. 1722.

(b) “ **J**E vous felicite de votre voiage d’An-
“ *gleterre*, & Je prendray toujours
“ beaucoup de part à tout ce qui pourra vous
“ arriver d’avantageux. — Votre correspon-
“ dence me fera toujours fort agreable. —

Je suis,

Monsieur,

Ec. Ec. Ec.

FLEMING.

S I R,

Warsaw, Aug. 12. 1722.

(b) “ I wish you joy on your return to *England*. I
“ shall always interest myself in whatever good Fortune
“ attends you. — Your correspondence will be very
“ agreable to me.

I am, Ec. Ec.

*Letter from Baron Ilgen, Prime Minister to the
King of PRUSSIA, to Mr. W——.*

Monsieur,

(c) “ **E**N vous remerciant beaucoup de votre
“ agreable visite d’hyer, je vous
“ envoie la lettre que vous m’avez demandé
“ pour notre *Ministre* à la Cour de la *Grande*
“ *Bretagne* Monsieur de *Wallenrodt*, & J’y join-
“ drois

S I R,

Pritz, July 4. 1722.

(c) “ Returning you a great many thanks for your
“ yesterday’s agreable visit, I here send you the *Letter*
“ for Mr. *Wallenrodt*, our *Minister* at the *English Court*.
“ I

“ drois très Volontiers une pour Monsieur, le
 “ Comte de Bothmar si j' étois dans quelque corre-
 “ spondence avec luy. Mais ne luy ayant jamais
 “ écrit, je crois, Monsieur, que vos merites seuls,
 “ si vous les luy faitez connoître, feront en votre
 “ faveur beaucoup plus d'effet sur son esprit, que
 “ tout ce que je luy pourrois dire.

“ Au reste, Monsieur, je vous souhaite de tout
 “ mon cœur un heureux voiage, suivi de tous les
 “ avantages que vous pourcez demander vous me-
 “ me, étant veritablement, et avec une estime
 “ particuliere,

Monsieur,

De Pritz ce 4.
 Juillet, 1722.

Votre, &c. &c.

I L G E N.

“ I should have been glad to have sent *that* you desired
 “ to Count *Bothmar*, had I ever been in correspondence
 “ with him. I question not, but when he knows you,
 “ you will recommend yourself to more advantage, than
 “ any thing I could write concerning you.

“ I wish you, Sir, with all my heart, a happy voy-
 “ age, attended with all the success you can desire your-
 “ self, being truly, and with particular esteem,

Your, &c. &c.

Letter from Madam RANTZAU, First Lady of the
 Court of her Highness the late reigning Dutcheß
 of BRUNSWICK-WOLFENBUTTE, to Mr W—.

Monsieur,

(d) “ **E**S haben mir meine gnadige Fraw
 “ Hertozgin befohlen sie zu schrei-
 “ ben

S I R,

Saltzdahl, Aug. 29. 1722.

(d) “ Her Serene Highness, my Mistress, has com-
 “ manded me to acquaint you, that she received your Let-
 “ ter.

“ ben, Dafs Eur Durchleucht Eur wohlgeb.
 “ breif erhalten. Und haben ſie da nichts gna-
 “ diges zu befohlen, als wan ſie bey der Madame
 “ *Kihlmanſegen* wohlten ihren freunliche grufs
 “ uberbringen. Ich vor meine Perſohn wiſche
 “ ihnen, alles gluckliches wohlergehen; glauben
 “ dafs ſie gewifs theil darran nimbt, die bey al-
 “ lergelegenheit ſein wird,

Monsieur,

Saltzdahl, Den
29 Aug. 1722.

Ec. Ec. Ec.

RANTZAU.

“ *ter.* And that ſhe deſires you, on your return to *England*,
 “ to pay her Compliments to Madam KILMANSEG. As
 “ for myſelf, I wiſh you all imaginable Happineſs. And
 “ you may affure yourſelf no-body will be better pleaſed
 “ to hear of your welfare than ſhe, who, on all occaſions,
 “ will approve herſelf,

S I R,

Ec. Ec. Ec. Ec.

*Letter from Lord WHITWORTH, Envoy Extraor-
 dinary at BERLIN, whilſt Mr. W—— was
 there, to him at the Hague.*

S I R,

Versailles, 30 Aug. 1722.

“ **I** Received here your two Letters of the
 “ 8th and 14th inſtant at the ſame time.
 “ But am in ſuch a hurry of buſineſs, viſits, and
 “ ſeeing the remains which LEWIS the XIVth
 “ has left here of his magnificence, that I have
 “ little room for any Correſpondence.

“ *How-*

" However, as you desired a *Letter* for Mr.
 " *Whitworth*, though I do not question, but
 " your Merit, and Quality of an *Englishman*, will
 " have introduced you to him already, I would
 " not fail to send you the *Enclosed*. My Wife
 " has recommended you to her * Brother. For
 " her Father and Mother are too retired for
 " sprightly Conversation. I heartily wish you a
 " good voyage to *England*, and all success there.

I am,

S I R,

Ec. Ec. Ec.

WHITWORTH.

* The famous Mr. SALLENGRE.

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